

**THE NORTH HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
5 LINSLEY STREET
NORTH HAVEN, CONNECTICUT**

AGENDA

Date: October 14, 2010

Attendance at this REGULAR meeting: Sandra Cummings, Steve DiCapua, Carole Franceschet, James Hogan, Bert Mozealous, Wesley O'Brien, Anita Anderson, Bryan Bogan, and Patricia K. Brozek, Interim Superintendent of Schools

Alicia Clapp was absent

1. Approval of Minutes of September 16, 2010

Motion: to approve the Minutes of September 16, 2010

Approved

MOVED: James Hogan
SECOND: Carole Franceschet
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

2. Budgets:

- a. 2010-2011 Budget
- b. State and Federal Funds
- c. Extra-Curricular Activities

Moved: to accept budget reports and place them on file

Approved

MOVED: Carole Franceschet
SECOND: James Hogan
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN:

3. Report of Standing Committees:

a. Finance and Operations

- 1. 2. Approval of donation from North Haven Youth Football Association
of a new sound system for Vanacore Football Field

Mr. DiCapua stated that Finance and Operations met this evening and went over this years' budget, which he stated was on schedule. He stated that they are watching the Special Education budget carefully. Mr. DiCapua reported both outplaced and in house budgetary issues in regards to Special Education are both on schedule and that Maryann Rossi has been doing a wonderful job.

Mr. DiCapua reported that there have been some issues regarding to our soccer fields and the grass. The students have not been able to play on the field due to the grass and seeding issues. He stated that he has asked the contractors to go back out and examine the field. He stated that they did go out and re-seeded the

field but that it did not take. Mr. DiCapua reported that the students cannot play on that field and the students are being bussed to another field to play.

Mr. DiCapua reported that the North Haven Youth Football has donated \$5,000.00 for a new sound System for Vanacore Football Field . He stated that the Board of Education is pleased to accept that donation and thanks North Haven Youth Football for such donation.

b. Personnel

1. Approval of leave of absence for Rebecca Carr, High School
Guidance Program Coordinator for Term 2 of the 2010-2011
school year

Moved: to accept approval of a leave of absence for Rebecca Carr, High School
Guidance Program Coordinator for Term 2 of the 2010-2011 school year Approved

MOVED: Carole Franceschet
SECOND: Bert Mozealous
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

2. Approval of an extended leave of absence, for the remainder of the
2010-2011 school year for Anne Connellan, Grade 3
Teacher at Clintonville Elementary School

Moved: to accept the approval of an extended leave of absence for the remainder of
the 2010-2011 school year for Anne Connellan, Grade 3 teacher at
Clintonville Elementary School Approved

MOVED: Carole Franceschet
SECOND: Bert Mozealous
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

3. Approval of an extended leave of absence for the remainder of the
2010-2011 school year for Tracey Romberg,
North Haven Middle School, Grade 7 math teacher

Moved: to accept the approval of an extended leave of absence for the remainder of the
2010-2011 school year for Tracey Romberg, North Haven Middle School
Grade 7 math teacher Approved

MOVED: Carole Franceschet
SECOND: Bert Mozealous
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

c. Curriculum, Instruction and Planning

1. Approval of new course proposal: Introduction to World Language and Culture (attached)

Moved: to accept the approval of new course proposal: Introduction to World Language And Culture Approved

MOVED: Wesley O'Brien
SECOND: James Hogan
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

2. Approval of field trip to Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, MA for Montowese Elementary School on November 4, 2010

Moved: to accept the approval of field trip to Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, MA for Montowese Elementary School on November 4, 2010 Approved

MOVED: Bert Mozealous
SECOND: Sandra Cummings
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

3. Approval of field trip to Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, MA for Green Acres Elementary School on November 12, 2010

Moved: to accept the approval of field trip to Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, MA for Green Acres Elementary School on November 12, 2010 Approved

MOVED: Wesley O'Brien
SECOND: James Hogan
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

4. Approval of field trip to New York City, NY (Broadway) for North Haven High School Music class on November 2, 2010

Moved: to accept approval of field trip to New York City, NY (Broadway) for North Haven High School Music class on November 2, 2010 Approved

MOVED: Wesley O'Brien
SECOND: Anita Anderson
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

5. Approval of FPS overnight field trip to FPS International Conference at the University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse Campus June 8, 2011 through June 12, 2011

Moved: to accept approval of FPS overnight field trip to FPS International Conference at the University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse Campus June 8, 2011 through June 12, 2011

Approved

MOVED: Anita Anderson
SECOND: James Hogan
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

6. Approval of FPS overnight field trip to the University of Connecticut and E.O. Smith High School in Storrs, CT from Friday, March 25, 2011 through March 26, 2011

Moved: to accept the approval of FPS overnight field trip to the University of Connecticut and E.O. Smith High School in Storrs, CT from Friday, March 25, 2011 through March 26, 2011

Approved

MOVED: Anita Anderson
SECOND: James Hogan
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

Mrs. Franceschet reported that Curriculum and Instruction met on October 4, 2010. She stated they discussed MS Social Studies curriculum. She reported that Barbara Peck has put forth a list which solidifies what each grade is responsible for.

4. ACES

Mrs. Franceschet reported that she attended the ACES meeting today. She stated that the ECA Jazz Ensemble was honored and received the Duke Ellington Award. North Haven has students in that Jazz Ensemble. She reported that a draft of their financial statement was shared. She stated that there was a presentation by Gregg Daniels regarding social networking. Mrs. Franceschet stated she found it to be very informative for both students and adults. She reported ACES was awarded a federal magnet school grant to enrich their science programs and they will partner up with such places as the Peabody Museum, the Science Center in Hartford and the Norwalk Maritime Center.

5. North Haven PTA Council

Mrs. Franceschet reported that the PTA Council met on September 27, 2010. She stated that Open Houses went well in all schools. She also stated that the first PTA meetings at all of the schools went well and membership enrollment for PTA was great. She reported that two theater productions are scheduled. They are Harvey which will be in November and Guys and Dolls in March. Mrs. Franceschet reported that many of the schools are involved in fundraisers at this time. She reported that the PTA bylines have been updated to abide by the laws of the State and draft was shared. Mrs. Franceschet reported that a preschool resource book is being produced by Mrs. Grantham, and that printing of such book is being funded by a grant from Community Services. Next meeting will take place on November 22, 2010.

6. Superintendent's Report

- a. Enrollment – October 1, 2010

Ms. Brozek reported the following:

- American Red Cross – Certificate of Achievement to June Sturtz at NHHS
- Recipient of Steap Awards 2011 – where in we are getting money for construction of a playground improvements
- Doug Jones – Music teacher at Clintonville and Green Acres School gave a music clinic in Venezuela at the Music Conservatory. Very nice article about Doug in the West Hartford Life
- Green Acres had the International Program - Safe Kids Walk this Way
- Green Acres Student Council induction – Hawks Nest Assembly
- Green Acres had a field day October 8, 2010 celebrating all of the books read on the Governors Summer Reading Challenge
- NHHS – 2 seniors recognized at Rotary Students of the Month. They were Raven Jones and Chris Matteis and honored for their academic and civic achievements
- NHHS Guidance Dept Financial Aid Night is Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30 p.m.
- NHMS Student of the Month: Red Team – Matteo Cirioli, Yellow Team – Colin Ciszewski, Art Team – Emellia Imperati, Violet Team – Amanda Vasterelli, Blue Team – Amelia DePino, White Team – Miranda Kross, Green Team – Christian Handel, Sage Team – Whitney Broccoli, Maroon Team, Hope Marino, and Navy Team – Jake Brangi
- NHMS World Chaption Tae Kwon Do Presentation – October 22, 2010
- NHMS Best Buddies Friendship Walk – October 16, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.
- Montowese website updated - teachers updated their eboards
- Montowese has been implementating their district assessments
- Montowese – November 15th Reading teachers will present an “Aimsweb Fireside Chat”
- Montowese will hold a three day training in Responsive Classroom – 6 teachers from each elementary School on October 20, 21 and 22, 2010
- Law no longer required Boards of Education to post their minutes, however our Board of Education has decided that we will continue to post our Board of Education Meeting minutes on the website.

7. Public Comments

- Jenny Caldwell – bus stop issues – has an upcoming appeal hearing regarding her son’s bus stop
- Terry Hannon – commented on questions being answered at Board of Education Meetings. Ms. Brozek responded that if the questions pertain to an item on the Agenda it will be answered.
- Al Warren – commented on money received from the State, the soccer fields and the outside lights at the High School being on too early.

8. Executive Session: if needed

9. Adjournment

Moved: to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Approved

MOVED: Bert Mozealous
SECOND: Wesley O’Brien
AYE: 8
NAY: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Cummings
Chairman

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